

SENATE RESOLUTION 127

By Williams

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Reverend Hollis
Simmons of New Tazewell.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Reverend Hollis Simmons; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Simmons was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who was very dedicated to his profession, community and family; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Simmons was a church pastor for 35 years, and was pastor of Underwood Grove Baptist Church at the time of his death. He previously pastored at M.C.M. Baptist Church, Barren Baptist Church, Leatherwood Baptist Church, Red Hill Baptist Church, and Blair's Creek Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, the legacy Reverend Hollis leaves behind will be remembered and treasured by friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Hollis enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife of 41 years, Norma Simmons; was the proud parent of son and daughter-in-law, Marvin and Carrie Simmons of New Tazewell; daughter and son-in-law, Shelia and Mike Weaver of Frederick, Maryland; and was the grandfather of Jonathan and Michelle Simmons, Kristin and Candace Weaver; and

WHEREAS, he is also survived by his father, Cluster Simmons of New Tazewell; two sisters, Irene Ford of Wayne, Michigan; Wanda Holton of Kendallville, Indiana; a brother, LeRoy Simmons of Virginia Beach, Virginia, and a host of special friends; and

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WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we honor the memory of Reverend Hollis Simmons, remembering with admiration his strong character and many selfless contributions to the community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Reverend Hollis Simmons.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.